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## RCMP make arrests in Break and Enters

by Tamara Collins

After several tips came into the Airdrie RCMP regarding a Silver Dodge Truck with a Montana license plate and a male driver, which they were asking assistance with locating, the Airdrie RCMP in conjunction with the Beiseker RCMP, and Calgary RCMP Plain Cloths unit, arrested and charged two adult males for a number of Break and Enters in the rural areas north of Calgary.

These men were in possession of a Didsbury Centennial Coin, and based on other evidence, the RCMP believe these men are possibly connected to the Break and Enters Didsbury has experienced in the past month, and possibly also ones in Olds and Strathmore.

"On Nov. 27 some people came home and found strange people in their yard," said Airdrie RCMP Sgt. Robertson. "The strangers asked for directions, and then left. When the residents went into their home they realized it had been broken into. We then put out a press release with the truck description and the description of the driver, asking for the public's help in finding them. We then received a tip from Calgary."

See "Break-ins" page 20



photo by Tamara Collins

### Is it my turn yet?

Andrew Maitland, age 1, patiently waited in line at AG Foods during Country Christmas to get his picture taken with Santa. While waiting, Maitland found an AG Foods balloon to entertain him.

## Local vet going to Fuji to fix hunting dogs

by Tamara Collins

This New Year many people will take on new challenges, but local veterinarian Gord Krebs' challenge is unlike most. Krebs will travel to small villages in Fuji to spade and neuter hunting dogs.

Originally Krebs was going to leave on Jan. 3, with the Canadian Animal Assistance Team (CAAT) out of Vancouver, but now that they are having some trouble getting paperwork ready to have drugs shipped down there, the trip might get postponed to Feb., but Krebs says either way they are committed to going.

Three veterinarians, four animal health techs. and several helpers will travel together, spending nights at a central place and awaking each morning to hop on a boat to travel to the small villages, where they expect to spade or neuter 10 to 15 dogs a day.

Krebs is the only Albertan going on this trip to the jungle, where hunting dogs are becoming overrun to the point where people are packing up and leaving, and the spread of disease is a common fear.

People in Fuji decided the solution to this problem was to put out food with poison in it for the dogs to eat and die from. One of the veterinarians going heard about this, and that is when CAAT decided to go there to help the problem, without having to kill the dogs.

"This way the dogs cannot reproduce," said Krebs. "It is not a one time thing though, CAAT is going to have to keep sending a group up once a year."

For the trip Grade 5 students from Westglen School and Deer Meadow Schools in Olds, came together and donated pens, pencils, and lots of other goodies for the children in these villages, who are just learning

English. The Didsbury Soccer Association also donated a bunch of soccer balls for Krebs to take, and Krebs is trying to come up some rugby balls to take, because Rugby is a popular sport there.

"We will be going to either four, five or six villages," said Krebs. "I am really looking forward to it. In the villages people have never seen white people before, so it should be interesting."

Krebs will also have to familiarize himself with the rules related to the villages' chiefs, such as you cannot sit until he sits, and you cannot talk until he talks.

Krebs will be gone for two weeks, and he is presently preparing by getting his personal vaccinations and paperwork in order.

"I think it is going to be a great time," said Krebs. "Whether it is in Jan. or Feb. we are committed to go."

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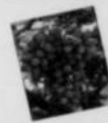


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## NEWS

# Four candidates vying for Wild Rose residents votes

by Shawne Mohl

Four people will be vying for your vote next month during the upcoming federal election. The election was brought forward when the Conservative Party of Canada and the New Democratic Party brought forward a non-confidence vote which passed in the House of Commons last Monday.

When a non-confidence vote passes the Prime Minister is required to go to the Governor General, explain he has lost the House's confidence and ask for an election to be called.

The election has been called for Monday, January 23.

Sixty-nine-year-old incumbent Conservative candidate Myron Thompson is seeking another term in office. Thompson will have competition for his seat from Cochrane resident and Liberal candidate Judy Stewart, Airdrie resident and NDP Candidate Shannon Nelles, as well as Cochrane resident and Green Party candidate Sean Maw.

Thompson says that if he wins this election and becomes MP for Wild Rose again he wants this to be his last election; however, he says if there is an election in just a few months again, he intends to

run again.

"I intend 2006 to be my last election," Thompson said. "But, if we end up with another minority government we might have another election in the Spring, who knows. Hopefully, it's my last one because we will be the government and will be in power for a while."

Thompson, a resident of Sundre and a retired school teacher, says his goals and reasons for running really haven't changed. Accountability, the protection of children, among other things remain on his radar screen, he says.

"I don't think (my priorities) have changed a whole lot. I want to see the accountability act in place so we can hold these departments, bureaucrats and politicians accountable for every penny of tax dollars that comes in and they go to what they are intended to do," Thompson said.

Thompson has been working on trying to get the government to pass tougher legisla-

tion to ban child pornography and make those caught with it under go tougher punishment in the legal system.

"They (the Liberals) have done little to nothing in regards to affecting the safety of children and I want that totally improved," he said. "I also want to see a farm aide package that goes directly to the producers and not through all the red tape that we have had to go through that just seems like it misses so many people."

Liberal candidate Judy Stewart will be giving it another kick at the can in January's election. Stewart previously ran against Thompson in the last federal election; however, lost the battle.

Stewart, a Cochrane resident, lawyer, and currently the Mayor of Cochrane.

Stewart said she is not in favour of an election at this time.

"I think it's all just posturing and politicking," she said. "I don't know where a lot of

people are coming from on this. I'm sort of dumfounded by this."

"I think the Liberals can win as long as we don't have a nasty campaign."

The Liberals can win if they remain focused on what they have been able to accomplish. The public doesn't like people who try to sweep things under the carpet."

The NDP have a 25-year-

old rookie candidate running in the Wild Rose constituency. Shannon Welles, a stay at home mom, says several issues must be part of the campaign.

"I will be looking into the role of ethics in politics," she said. "I want to continue to look into things like child care. I will be looking into things like affordable housing in this area."

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CALGARY HEALTH REGION

# CHR puts \$23 million in funding towards enhancing mental health programs

by Tamara Collins

A Provincial Innovation Fund Announcement came last week, enabling the Calgary Health Region (CHR) to further expand health programming, and enhance and expand mental health services in five areas; child and adolescent health, aboriginal health, rural health, community support, and online professional education resources.

The Region will have \$23 million to spend on new mental health programs and technology, and \$9 million of that will go directly to rural areas within the Region.

"We are pleased with the announcement and agree that mental health is a key priority for our Province," said Jack Davis, CHR president & CEO. "This generous funding will help us reach and support patients in new ways."

CHR patients will benefit from this new funding in a number of ways including reduced wait times of five to 10% for children and adolescents with eating disorders and addictions to access program services; the eating disorder program and addictions centre adolescent treatment program will be expanded; as well, community based eating disorder and assessment services and community based addictions treatment for adolescents will expand; outreach services will expand by 250 clients annually to ensure that patients can be maintained in their community; ten per cent increase in the number of aboriginal clients receiving culturally appropriate care; increased capacity of primary care givers to ensure timely care and early identification of complex mental health needs in the community; and a one week reduction in wait times for general care and increased capacity to serve 2,000 or more clients in rural areas for telemental health services, after hours crisis, psychogeriatric services, and expanded outreach programs.

The CHR will phase in all the above initiatives over the next three years.

Cathy Pryce, executive director of Mental Health Services for the CHR, says plans for rural areas will include increasing the number of therapists available in a community, an after hours crisis service, and a link to more technology.

"We are thrilled, and now

the next stage is detailed implementation plans," said Pryce. "Staff in the community are already working with other organizations in the town, to find out where to best implement the money."

Many mental health disorders can be diagnosed reliably and accurately, some can be prevented, and most can be successfully managed and treated.

"With 25 per cent of people developing one or more mental or behavioral disorders over their lifetime, this funding announcement is timely and necessary," said Pryce. "It's our responsibility to help the population deal with mental health issues."

Mental health touches most people through bullying in schools, young professionals managing work and family stresses, chronic and persistent disorders including depression, schizophrenia and dementia. The percent of people who develop one or more mental or behavioral disorders at some stage in life is 25.

An estimated 121 million people worldwide suffer from depression. An estimated 5.8% of men and 9.5% of women will experience a depressive episode in any given year. An estimated 10-20% of children have one or more mental or behavioral problems. Many disorders commonly found amongst adults (eg. depression) can begin during childhood.

One of the innovation fund proposals, Healthy Minds Healthy Children, is a joint effort between the Region, Capital Health Region, the Alberta Mental Health Board, and Southern Alberta Child and Youth Health Network. It deals specifically with online professional education resources in the area of child and adolescent mental health.

The Province's Innovation Fund aids in implementing the Provincial Mental Health Plan and encourages innovations in mental health services and supports. At the request of the Province, the Region's Mental Health Services Group submitted the above five innovation proposals for consideration in the area of mental health services.

"There will be changes that blanket the whole area, and then programs that will be more specific to each community," said Pryce. "This funding is going to allow us to access and make accessible a lot of new services."



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## DIDSBURY TOWN COUNCIL

# Report to the Community #3

*Moving progressively into the future by enhancing our community, its beauty and quality of life.*

The first two reports to the community in this monthly series addressed all but two of the Didsbury Town Council's fiscal viability measures to ensure long-term fiscal viability.

The last two elements that Council has targeted are:

- accessing new sources of funding and

- managing financial resources

## ACCESSING NEW SOURCES OF FUNDING

Federally, our national municipal lobby to the federal government regarding the huge deficit in maintenance and repair to municipal infrastructure has resulted in GST being refunded to municipalities about two years ago, and the prospect of receiving the first small instalment of the federal fuel tax rebate in 2006, which will ramp up over the next five years to a significant amount.

Provincially, my work within the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association as Director for South Towns and Vice President for all Alberta Towns allows me to represent all of the towns in Alberta. Towns do not have a strong enough voice individually to lobby effectively for more equitable funding and new sources of revenue, but by partnering with other municipalities, we have been able to correct the most glaring inequities, such as:

- Relief from funding the RCMP. Didsbury gets to keep more of the revenue we collect until we reach 5,000 in population. Raising the population

funding minimum to 5,000 in 2004 gave Didsbury a few years in which to repair some of the accumulated damage, but leaves Olds alone within the County paying for policing, though at a somewhat reduced rate.

Ambulance/EMS services have become an integral part of the health care system, and although the transfer of the responsibility for EMS has not yet been transferred to the Health Authority, the province began to provide some compensation to municipalities for EMS service, and will continue that this year, for which we are thankful.

Urban and rural municipalities are asking that the education property tax be reduced, then eventually removed from property taxes. As it is reduced, municipalities want to be able to reduce property taxes to residents as well, and become more sustainable themselves. Unfortunately, there has been some indication that the province may want to withdraw funding on a dollar for dollar basis, leaving nothing for either the residents or the municipality.

The Town has a chart which shows the magnitude of the infrastructure municipal debt and deficit (accumulated repairs needed) in Alberta municipalities, and the scale of the recent responses by the federal and provincial governments. You can see in it that it is a start, but that consistent, sustainable and adequate long term funding will be required to address more than a decade of underfunding and neglect.

Regionally, the municipalities within Mountain View County have been working hard toward initiatives and cooperation that will enhance the prosperity of the region and everyone in it. We have successful regional

Disaster Services, Waste Management, EMS (ambulance service) and are working on other agreements. We have agreed on principles that guide our relationship, and are committed to ensuring that all parties will benefit from our collaboration. All residents will be invited to participate and provide input as our opportunities begin to unfold.

Locally, advertising, contributions and sponsorships have taken a prominent role in funding Town projects, events, publications and facilities wherever possible. Business opportunities to provide town facilities, goods or services to others will be explored. Didsbury and all other municipalities are trying to find equitable ways to generate municipal funds, other than property tax.

As we make growing our local businesses a priority, and going forward with a vibrant new Economic Development Committee and draft Economic Development Business Plan, we expect that opportunities will arise and be seized. The dog sled races in January may double Didsbury's population for a few days! I believe that local entrepreneurs will rise to the challenge making it a wonderfully unforgettable Didsbury experience for the many visitors. Use your most innovative business strategies!

The previous reports on fiscal measures have shown how each of the other fiscal strategies are improving Didsbury's overall financial health and long term sustainability.

I will be continuing this monthly series regarding the implementation of our Strategic Plan as part of our council's ongoing commitment to provide accurate information and opportunities for community communication and consultation.

# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Healthy snacks in schools



TAMARA COLLINS  
EDITORIAL

I am working on a story, which will be in next week's paper, about healthy choices in schools.

I remember when I was in school, if you ever got hungry you could

a) go to the vending machine and choose from chocolate, chips, cookies, or pop;

b) go to the school cafeteria and have a hamburger, fries, milk shake, pizza, donuts...or you could;

c) STARVE.

Schools have changed and are continuing to change, by provid-

ing healthy snacks for students, instead of the original garbage.

Changes like these will make a big difference in the student body, students will have more energy, they will concentrate harder, and they will feel better about themselves, making life over-all a better experience.

Westglen School even has a program called "Food for the Thought", which feeds a healthy breakfast to students every morning. They have also taken pop out of the vending machines and now sell water and juice.

Health is so important, and it is silly for health to be taught in schools that simply contradict everything they teach by leaving only unhealthy options for students to choose from. Hopefully soon schools everywhere will jump on this better lifestyle program.

On another note, I would like to thank Cut N' Loose for the beautiful flat iron I won at Country Christmas, it is awesome!



## Wonderings of the heart

by Margaret Fradley

### "Sending Cards"

Many of us enjoy sending cards and notes or letters at Christmas, birthdays, perhaps Easter and other special days, but it is getting more and more necessary to read the verses in the cards we select carefully. There are times the verses seem almost glib to people who are suffering and lonely. "Have a happy birthday," "May every day bring you all you have wished for" and many others equally inappropriate.

I have a friend, who at present is going through some deep waters, and recently had a birthday. I did search for a card that would 'fit' but finally had to write a note on a regular blank card, because it seemed I could not find anything that spoke to her heart, or could encourage her through a difficult time, and yet I wanted to let her know she was not forgotten.

Especially Christmas, can be a very difficult time for those who are alone, those who are facing the necessity of major decision, have recently lost a loved one, or are just plain lonely. A time when others are celebrating with family, having good times together, fun times, and just enjoying one another.

When I ponder these things, I think perhaps we need to be able to walk in another's shoes, to try to experience what they're experiencing, and then just reaching out in our own quiet simple way to do what we can to bring some hope and comfort. It can be rewarding.

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR WILD ROSE,  
MYRON THOMPSON

## Myron Thompson and The Conservative Party Pledge Patient Wait Times Guarantee



Myron Thompson

Conservative Candidate Myron Thompson welcomed the announcement by Conservative leader Stephen Harper and health critic Steven Fletcher today that a new Conservative government

will work with the provinces to develop a Health Care Guarantee. This will ensure patients receive essential medical treatment within clinically acceptable waiting times.

"The guarantee is a positive, forward-looking plan to protect Canada's public health system while complying with the principles of the Canada Health Act, treating all patients equally for essential health care services regardless of ability to pay, and maintaining a single-payer, publicly funded health care system," said Thompson.

"The concept of the guarantee is that patients must be able to receive treatment in a medically acceptable maximum time for a publicly insured service. If this is not available in their own area, they must be given the option of receiving treatment at another hospital or clinic, even outside of their

home province. Since the Liberals took power, the average waiting time for treatment has almost doubled to 18 weeks," stated Thompson.

"A new Conservative government will also increase the number of doctors and nurses by working with the provinces and territories to expand educational programs for health care professionals. Currently, 1.2 million Canadians don't have a family doctor," said Thompson.

"Despite the denials of the Liberal government, reforms have been taking place, especially in private delivery of publicly insured services. The Conservative party will achieve better results for patients and maintain the essentials of our system of public health insurance while maintaining our universal public health care system," concluded Thompson.



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Finally please take time to encourage the people around you. You don't know what may be the struggles they're facing or have faced. All things go a little easier if they can be shared by someone who cares. Have a great Christmas season. It

is a time of giving. Thank you in advance for your faithful giving. This is the only way this program has experienced so much success.

Please know that however you decide to participate it takes all of us living in Didsbury to bring this program together.

Sincerely,  
Linda Sirr  
Linda Regner

## Dog killer very disturbing

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank the person who wrote the letter about the man who enjoys shooting people's pets (dogs). It's disturbing when people laugh and brag about doing such horrible things? What I would like to know is, do the people who own the dog sled teams running (in the Rosebud Run Dodsleg Classic) on his property, know what this man uses for target practice and why would they even want to be associated with a person like that.

Pat Burrows



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## Rather be a dog lover

Dear Editor,

A few weeks ago, the Review ran an inspiring article about Gord Krebs, Cary Ann Viney and Jessica Youngs all sacrificing personal time, money and safety to go to New Orleans to treat animals harmed by Hurricane Katrina. I am grateful that there are so many people that go out of their way to help animals, like the numerous local people that adopt and pay for the keep of abandoned dogs and cats. There have been many times when people have helped me out with my animals, and I with theirs. That is what decent people do. In the seven years that I have had my dog Chrysta, she has been out on the lam only twice. In both cases, someone

else was looking after her in my absence.

These people went out of their way to find her and bring her home. I have returned several of my neighbours' dogs when they have escaped - and it meant that we could have a nice visit. That is what decent neighbours do.

Now, we learn, that in stark contrast to all of this, we have a local dog shooter. It is shocking to me that someone could take a shotgun to a dog. I could not imagine doing such a thing and I could not imagine the pain that it would cause to the dog's humans to loose their beloved pet.

I am at least grateful that I know of only one dog killer compared to thousands of dog lovers.

Cary MacWilliams

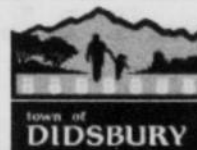
## Keep your dog near you

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Sincerely,  
Graham Sherick



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### TOWN COUNCIL:

December 13, 2005 - Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Dec. 6th - Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

### PUBLIC HEARING - Cat Bylaw

Dec. 13th - Council Chambers, 6:00 pm

### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wed., Dec. 21, 2005 - Council Chambers, 4:30 pm

### DIDSBURY LIFELINE SOCIETY

Monday, December 12, 2005 - Council Chambers, 10:00 a.m.

## NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

• DP 106-05 1187 Kildeer Close Single Family Dwelling R2 with conditions

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Robert Wigg - Development Officer

## Mountain View Parent Link Program is seeking a full-time PROGRAM SUPERVISOR

Parent Link is a new initiative of the Ministry of Children's Services. This program will provide Parent Education and Early Childhood Development and Care to families with children 0-6 in all communities of the Mountain View County.

The successful candidate will be responsible for:

- Development, coordination and implementation of programs within Sundre, Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs and Cremona
- Supervision of Parent Link Facilitators
- Identifying gaps of service in individual communities
- Establishing relationships and building partnerships with common services providers in each community
- Locating appropriate program delivery space in each community

### Requirements:

- Minimum post secondary education in Human Services
- Extensive knowledge of Early Childhood Development and Parenting skills
- Excellent communication and organizational skills
- Experience in a Supervisory or Project Management position
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We wish to thank all applicants; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted

## NEWS

# MVC tax hike not so high

by Todd W. Hurman

While Mountain View County residents brace themselves for a possible tax hike next year, county officials said last week that the increase might not be as bad as people expect.

Just exactly how much each resident will have to fork over next year is still unclear, but unofficially the county is looking at an additional \$2 million in expenditures, the bulk of that being \$1.8 million for new employees and salary increases.

However, Reeve Al Kemmere told the Albertan at the Nov. 30 policies and priorities meeting that it's possible the 2006 tax bite could be less once the county knows what its linear measurements and overall revenue are.

"Yes, there is going to be a hit some where along the line, but I don't want to comment on how hard the hit will be until we see the revenue side," Kemmere said.

Linear measurements are taxes on things such as oil and gas, and cable and telephone lines that companies pay to the county once the provincial government assesses their value.

Growth in the county's oil and gas sector has been brisk this year but the value of that won't be known until the spring, making it difficult for the county's numbercrunchers to say how much of next year's expenses will be offset by incoming revenue. But Greg Wiens, MVC's director of corporate services, said the county received a large linear increase last year and doesn't expect to see another in 2006.

"Then again it's hard to tell because it is all deter-

mined by the province and we don't have much visibility to it until the February-March time frame," he said.

There is also the possibility that the linear assessment could be lower, meaning either programs get cut or taxes go up, but that is still speculative at this point, Wiens said.

Another way that the tax burden could be reduced, Wiens said, is by increasing user fees in areas such as planning and development or possibly using provincial infrastructure grant money that is slated to go in to reserves.

"I think what most municipalities find is that developers are making a lot of money developing and whatever fees are being charged is a minor cost of the overall development," Wiens said.

The biggest annual cost the county faces is the public works budget, which makes up 60 per cent of the county's overall costs. Wiens said one way of deferring costs this year, is to hold back on projects and allow staff more time for planning. The idea isn't necessarily to hold projects over for following years, but more so to allow the new staff, that are predominantly being hired for the county's planning department, to get adjusted and determine what is the best way, for example, of handling road repairs. This year's budget is expected to be around \$30 to \$35 million, and the new staff being hired, plus the overall salary increases, put the county in a Catch-22.

On one hand, the Cuff Report recommended more staff be hired to give the county the ability to do more in-house work and improve service to county residents. The new staff are also ex-

pected to reduce contracting costs and save the county money in the long run.

On the other hand, these things come at a cost, and if council wants to avoid a tax increase, they can cut programs and other services at the expense of the new staff or choose outright not to hire the staff and go against the Cuff Report, possibly costing the county more money in contractual services and further backlogging the understaffed planning department.

The Cuff Report also coincides with the County's wage increase policy, which is reviewed every three years based on what other municipalities' employee expenses.

"It is a bit of Catch-22 but there is always a bit of a degree as to what can be done. Maybe you don't hire as many positions and you only hire some of them," Wiens said.

Reeve Kemmere agreed with Wiens that the county has some difficult decisions ahead of it but said ultimately it is up to council to decide if all the positions recommended are necessary.

"I believe we still are going to have to make the final decisions on some of the positions ... (but) we may have to bite the bullet this year, with the confidence the efficiencies will be addressed in the next years and see the benefits of it in the following years."

## Congratulations to the winners of the 2005 Didsbury Country Christmas Turkey Draw!

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Grasse Lumber	Garry Sande
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A Gallery of Floors	Christy Molander
Hi-Ho Gas & Grocery	Marilyn Stevenson
Curves For Women	Theresa McNeil
Fashions on Main	Ethel Baudistel
Golden River Restaurant	Mary Lou Hosegood
Victoria Square Mall	Christmas Hampers
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Ward's Value Drug Mart	Faye Molander
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Present your voucher at the Didsbury AG Foods meat counter prior to close of business on Saturday, December 10, 2005 to claim your prize! Thanks to all who participated.

## PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

### Highway 582 Access Management Study

### Town of Didsbury

AMEC Infrastructure Limited has been retained by Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation to review the traffic operations on Highway 582 and make appropriate recommendations for its improvement. This open house will present a preferred access management strategy for improving traffic operations in the study corridor. The study area comprises a five-kilometre section of Highway 582 with the majority of the roadway within the Town of Didsbury.

This highway is not currently scheduled for upgrades but it is important to have a plan defined to allow for future improvements, bridge replacements, intersection improvements and development applications based on a permanent alignment.

We invite you to attend a Public Information Session:

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2005  
Time: 4:00 - 8:00 pm  
Location: Westglen School Gymnasium  
2405 - 23rd Avenue  
Didsbury, AB

This is the second and final open house on this project. The previous open house was held at Westglen School on September 14, 2005.


For further information, please contact:

Keith Helberg, P.Eng.  
AMEC Infrastructure Limited  
Phone: 780-464-4550  
Fax: 780-464-4533  
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# Neighborhood

## Christmas tree care, everything you need to know

by Tamara Collins

December has arrived, the official month of Christmas, and houses all over town will be brightening up with lights, garland, tinsel, and Christmas trees.

In spite of popular belief, the environmentally friendliest trees are not artificial ones, according to For Trees Company Ltd.'s Gerard Fournier, getting a real tree is the way to go.

"Artificial trees are very hard on the environment, they can not be recycled easily, so they are hard to dispose of," said Fournier. "Many people are lead to believe the opposite, but unless you keep your artificial tree forever, there is no other use for it. It is a marketing scam."

Real trees are normally grown on a tree farm, in soils that are unsuitable for other crops. One acre of a Christmas tree nursery gives the oxygen required for 18 people.

"Real trees can be used in a lot of ways when you are finished with them," said Fournier. "They can be cut into wood chips, used for fuel, or composted. The tree goes back into the environment by becoming part of the soil."

If you are concerned about fire safety with your tree, it is important to remember that at no time can a real tree start a fire, it has to be ignited by an external source. The following are some helpful tips to think about when picking out and decorating your tree; select the freshest looking one, and make a fresh cut across the tree's base and immediately place in water; keep the tree's water filled at all times; be careful with electricity, open flames and other heat sources; check all lights, electric decorations and electrical cords; use only UL approved electrical decorations and extension cords; place your tree well away from heat registers, space heaters, fire places, wood stoves, televisions, and computer monitors, place your tree clear of

doors to keep an emergency escape route open, and unplug tree lights and other decorations when you leave or go to sleep.

Fournier suggests not bringing your tree into home too early, give it a fresh cut prior to bringing it into the house, and putting a flower preserve or a little dash of bleach into the tree's water will help it last longer.

The most popular choices for Christmas trees are White Firs and Douglas Firs.

Every year the Junior Forest Wardens allow you to cut your own Christmas tree down for a small donation, just west of town on the Burnt Timber Road, at Lodge Pole Pine. There are usually acres and acres to choose from.

If you are not interested in cutting down your own tree, the Didsbury High School Field Hockey team will be selling trees out of Mugs back patio, to raise money for a trip to the California Cup this spring. The trees will be selling Monday to Friday, from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. until Dec. 22.

Westglen School will also be selling 25 7' Christmas trees this year, which were donated to them by Stu and Deb Bryson. The trees will sell for \$40 each, and all proceeds will go towards the school's Food for Thought program. First come first serve, and they will be for sale until they run out.

Once Christmas has come and gone, the Lions will hold their annual Christmas Tree Chip-off at the bus barns on 19th St. Due to the Rosebud Run Sleddog Classic on Jan. 7 and 8, the Lions are postponing the Chip-off until Jan. 14 starting at 10 a.m.

The cost is a non-perishable food donation which will be donated to the Mountain View Food Bank. For Trees Company Ltd. will be donating the use of their chipper.



photo by Tamara Collins

For Trees has a tree farm where their shop is located, and each acre of it gives the required oxygen for 18 people, one of the many reasons buying a real Christmas tree is better for the environment than buying an artificial one.



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# NEIGHBORHOOD

## AROUND THE CIRCLE

# Christmas Party at Elks Hall on Dec. 9

by Marge St. Clair

### Wed. Dec. 7

There will be an open house tonight from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. in the Westglen School Gym regarding traffic operations, intersection improvements and development applications on Hwy. 582 which is on the North side of Didsbury. This will be the final open house.

### Thurs. Dec. 8

All seniors will be welcomed by "Friends 'n' Fun" to the MP Room at the Didsbury Complex at 1:00 p.m. for a most interesting afternoon.

The R.C.M.P. will be presenting a workshop on Fraud, Home Security and Elder Abuse. A town councillor will

also be present to answer concerns that residents may express. Refreshments will be served.

### Fri. Dec. 9

Today, when your children ages 6 - 12 are out of school, plan to have them attend a Christmas Carnival from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the MP Room at the Didsbury Complex.

The children will be swimming, skating, crafts and making some Christmas goodies. You must pre register at 335-7369 and there is a charge.

### Fri. Dec. 9

Families are welcome to the Elks Hall at 7:00 p.m. to a Christmas party and you will enjoy snacks, DJ music and a visit with Santa. Non perishable foods for the Food

Bank will be gladly accepted. A Gallery of Floors (Shaun & Amy Waite) and S & J Embroidery (Sharon & Jim Wadel) hope to see a lot of their friends attend.

### Fri. Dec. 9

Cribbage will start at 7:00 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. Enjoy the games, the coffee and goodies and visiting.

### Sun. Dec. 11

If you were some of the unlucky people who didn't get tickets to Theatre Didsbury's 2 dinner theatre performances of a "Bench in the Sun", you can phone Ed Wicks 638-3962 for tickets to see this comedy at the Sundre Legion today.

### Mon. Dec. 12

The Didsbury Lifeline Society will meet at the Town

Office at 10:00 a.m. This is where you will get all the info regarding having a lifeline installed in your home.

### Tues. Dec. 13

There will be a public hearing regarding the proposed cat bylaw at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at the town Office.

### Wed. Dec. 14

The monthly pot luck dinner is at the 5-0 Club today at 12:30 p.m. The turkey is supplied and your favorite recipe of salad, dessert or veggies will make a great meal for all. Enjoy.

### Fri. Dec. 16

Families are invited to the Didsbury Aquatic Center for dinner & swimming. Dinner is at 6 p.m. & swimming from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. More

info by phoning 335-7369.

### Sun. Dec. 18

This will be free family swim night at the Didsbury Aquatic Centre. Remax is also making it easier for you with the non perishable food donations, gift items for all ages or cash donations as you can drop them off at their office on Main Street from 10 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. or you can take them to the Aquatic Center tonight.

Please mark these dates on your calendar. The Live Nativity at the Redeemer Lutheran Church will be on Dec. 21, Dec. 22 & Dec. 23 starting at 7:45 p.m. each evening. This portrays the true meaning of Christmas and the membership does a fantastic job, you will certainly enjoy it.

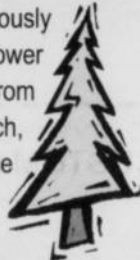


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# Update from the Snyders

Dear family and friends,

To those in the US, **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!** If you are like my family, you ate well, enjoyed fellowship with family and friends and took time to think about the many things you are thankful for. God continues to be gracious in providing all we need including our relationship with Him, forgiveness, friendship, as well as all we need for our physical needs.

We are thankful for His protection as we traveled this week. We have spent quite a few hours in the car and not always in the best weather. We were in Killaloe last Friday for an evening of games, food, fellowship and a chance to share about our new ministry in Hungary. We played a new game for us, Apples to Apples. It was fun, silly and we had a great time visiting with people.

We also had a good visit with the Dennisons, former Nigeria missionaries. Saturday morning, after an excellent breakfast we headed home, driving through Algonquin Park.

The drive through the park was beautiful. There had been some snow but the road was clear. The pine tree boughs were gently bowed with a layer of snow. Other trees without leaves had stark branches topped with snow but showing the dark of the branch underneath. It was very striking against the light grey sky or blue sky when the clouds parted. Many parts of the road were lined with rugged rocks. Water seeping out of the rocks had frozen into mini

waterfalls. All along the way we looked for moose but didn't see any.

Sunday we were at the Elmira church. We had a great visit with the Missions committee over lunch after the service. We actually didn't get home until almost time for supper. Tuesday again we were at Elmira, this time to speak to the youth and children's groups. Kids are great to share with. They ask unusual questions and so you always have to be on your toes.

Wednesday we went to Lion's Head. Unfortunately with the time change it gets dark early so we were unable to see much of the countryside as we traveled. From pictures we've seen it looks like we traveled again through beautiful country. Sometime I would like to go during the summer or fall and have time to explore the area a bit.

We enjoy a wonderful potluck dinner with the folks at the church before sharing about Hungary.

Snow was predicted and we had an appointment to take the car in for some work so we decided to return to St. Jacobs after the service. As it turned out it was a wise decision. We made it home before the snow got bad and we were able to get the things done we needed to do.

We had the opportunity to visit with Lois Fuller, the Smarts and several others over the next couple of days and that was a blessing.

After sharing at churches in New Dundee and Gormley on Saturday and Sunday, we

packed up the car and were ready to head back to Alberta on Monday morning.

We truly enjoyed our time in Ontario. We got to see some beautiful country, enjoy the wonderful weather and renew relationships with lots of people. We saw the Lord at work as we

shared in the various churches. God is still at work using His people in Canada.

I started this letter before we left Ontario but with all we needed to get done before we left didn't get it finished. The hope was to finish it on the trip but we didn't have

email connections so now we are home and have more to write. The trip home was a big answer to prayer.

But this is long enough for now so more on that in the next letter.

Praises,  
Janet for the Snyders

## Silver Sage Riders

by Crystal Davis

Howdy! It may only be November but we have already had two ridings and we are planning many more. But our biggest priority right now is to have a good Christmas. After much debating we have decided to go to the Pepsi Thunderrun in Calgary for our Christmas Party. We are also planning to go to West Edmonton Mall sometime this year as well.

This year for our fundraiser we will be selling Christmas Trees at the Olds Co-op. Every member is volunteering their time

to help setup and sell the trees and cleanup afterwards. We are all hoping it will run smoothly and be a worthwhile fundraiser.

Another activity that the Silver Sage Riders are scheming is our communication project. We are still putting our heads together to get the perfect idea. But I am sure we will pick the right one soon.

All the members would like to thank the Dursling's, Laut's and Davis's for their quick thinking and bringing fabulous snacks for after riding. We all enjoyed it after our long ride.

The next riding and meeting for the Silver Sage Riders is Dec. 11th. Please have your Record Books up to date and Diaries done. Also please bring a donation for the Christmas Food hamper.

Our club would like to thank all the Sponsors for helping us through these first few months. We would also like to thank Panamic for the deworming paste and Dr. Harvey Cole from Olds. Dr. Cole gave us an informative presentation on horse safety and a vet check.

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## NEIGHBORHOOD

## CHAMBER CHAT

## Christmas is a-coming!

The most wonderful season of the year for businesses ... and everybody in town ... is upon us. The Chamber would like to thank all the businesses who participated in Country Christmas and to those of you who came out and took in all the fun and festivities.

The business community appreciates the support we get from our shopping public. Didsbury retailers have got some of the neatest gift ideas. Chocolates and candy, candles and vases, gift baskets, tools, slippers and mittens, gift certificates, and more! Great specials on gift wrapping, Christmas cards, and all those ornaments and trimming for the tree ... you'll find it all in Didsbury, so be sure to shop "Local First" this holiday season!

Special thanks to the crew from the Town of Didsbury, and volunteers from the Chamber, who hung the Christmas decorations this year. The town looks great!

Mark your calendars for the Brown Bag Breakfast on Tuesday, December 13, 2005. A joint initiative between the Town of Didsbury and the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce, this month's breakfast is designed to introduce residents and the business community to the Rosebud Run Sleddog Classic. You've read

about it, now come and see how you can participate, and more importantly, how you can prepare for the potential crowds that will descend on Didsbury the first weekend of January. The Brown Bag Breakfast begins at 7:30 am at the Eldon Foote Hall (Train Station). We're hoping the breakfast format will be more convenient for the businesses, as their attendance is imperative. Muffins, coffee and juice will be provided.

The Chamber of Commerce is once again hosting the Christmas Light Decorating Contest. Make sure you get your lights up - judging in town will take place on Thursday, December 15. Those in rural areas who would like their yards judged are asked to call the Chamber office at 335-3265 with directions to your farm and we'll make sure our judges get out to your place.

For more information on the Chamber, give us a call at 335-3265, send us an e-mail at [info@didsburychamber.ca](mailto:info@didsburychamber.ca) or check us out on the web at [www.didsburychamber.ca](http://www.didsburychamber.ca).




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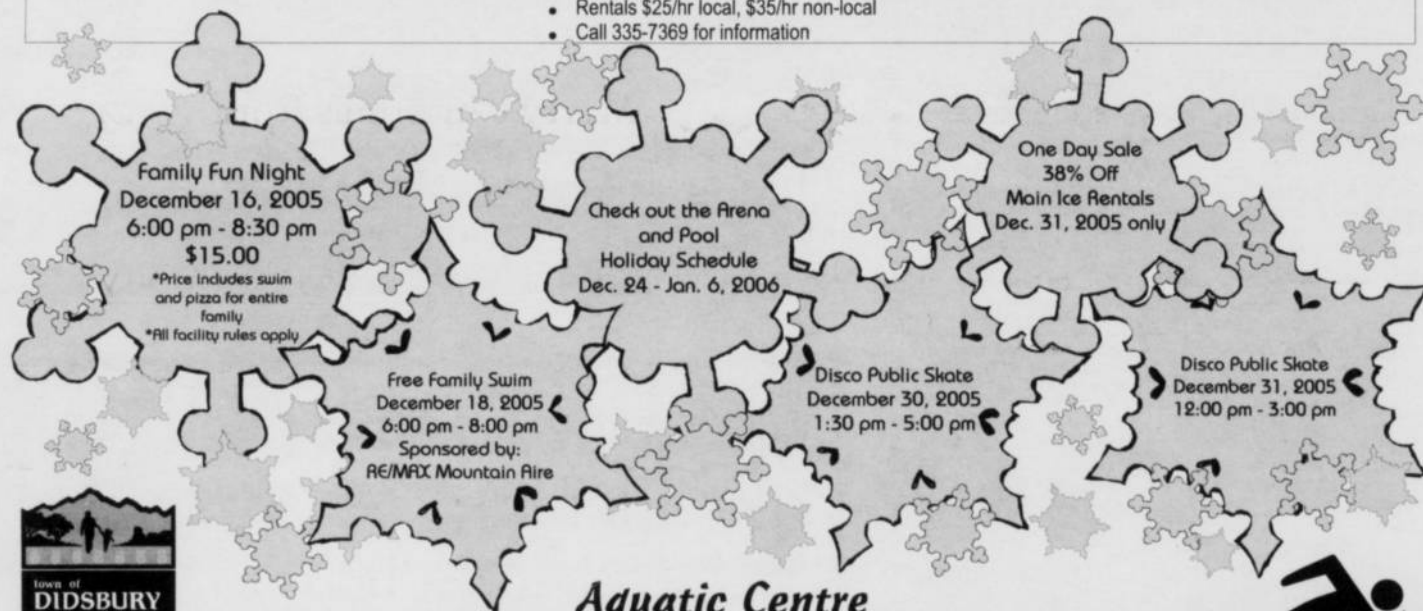
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## NEIGHBORHOOD

### Natural Gas rebate to save you money

by Brad Linn

The average household should save about \$71 dollars this December because of a provincial natural gas rebate.

The natural gas rebate program is triggered when at least two of the three major gas companies charge a rate over \$5.50 a gigajoule. This month, two of the companies will charge at least \$9 a gigajoule, thereby activating a \$3.25 energy rebate. On average, Albertan households use twenty two gigajoules of natural gas in the month of December.

Energy minister Greg Melchin said that even though natural gas prices have lowered this month, it's reassuring to know this rebate program will help.

"Regardless of the market force, any time during the rebate period when gas prices exceed the trigger prices, Albertans are guaranteed assistance."

Most consumers will see the December rebate as a credit on their January bill.

"This year, the rebate program is providing financial assistance during the fall and winter when Albertans use nearly eighty per cent of their annual natural gas," Melchin said.

Earlier this fall, the government added October as a rebate month for residential and industrial consumers. A sixth rebate month is also being added for those agricultural consumers - agricultural irrigators, forage dehydrators, grain dryers and commercial greenhouses - who receive the rebate via application.

Kevin Donnan, spokesperson with Alberta energy, said the option for agricultural consumers to have their rebate in winter or during the busier summer working months is in recognition to the extraordinary prices we've seen.

"We want to ensure price protection (for the agricultural sector)," he said, "This demonstrates they will get maximum benefit."

"Albertans own the resources and they should reap the benefits of this resource ownership," Donnan said.

### Didsbury 15 - Turn Your Lights On!

The Didsbury Chamber of Commerce is once again hosting the Christmas Light Decorating Contest in Didsbury. Make sure you get your lights up - judging in Didsbury and area will take place on the evening of Thursday, December 15.

Those in rural areas who

would like their Christmas lights judged are asked to call the Chamber office at 335-3265 with directions to your farm and we'll make sure our judges get out to your farm or acreage on December 15 for Rural Judging.

Didsbury is arguably the

best decorated town in Alberta, and with the great weather we've had in November, we expect an excellent light display this year. Prizes and certificates are awarded for Large Yard, Small Yard, and Rural.

Remember on December 15<sup>th</sup> to turn your lights on!



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**Public Transportation and Operating Assistance Grants**

Mountain View County is now accepting applications for **2006 Public Transportation & Operating Assistance Grants**. These grants provide support to rural community organizations for the funding of public transportation projects for operating expenses or planned excursions in the County. These grants are generally intended for organizations that do not have access to regular funding from other sources.

Council will review and prioritize each application according to need, contributions of time and funds by the organization, and availability of funds.

Grant application forms are available at the County Office or on-line. For further information please contact **Joyce King** at the County Office at 335-3311.

★ Remember! The application deadline is December 31st 2005 ★  
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**Rural Community Grant Applications**

*Opportunities for those operating recreation and cultural programs in the County*

Mountain View County is now accepting applications for the **2006 Rural Community Grants**. These grants provide funding to rural communities and organizations operating recreation and cultural programs and facilities in the County and may be used towards operating or capital expenditures. Applications must be filed no later than **December 31<sup>st</sup> 2005**.

Grants are generally directed to organizations that do not have access to regular funding from other sources. Council will review and prioritize each application according to need, contributions of time and funds by the organization, and availability of funds.


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For further information regarding this grant or to obtain an application form, please contact **Joyce King** at the County Office at 335-3311.

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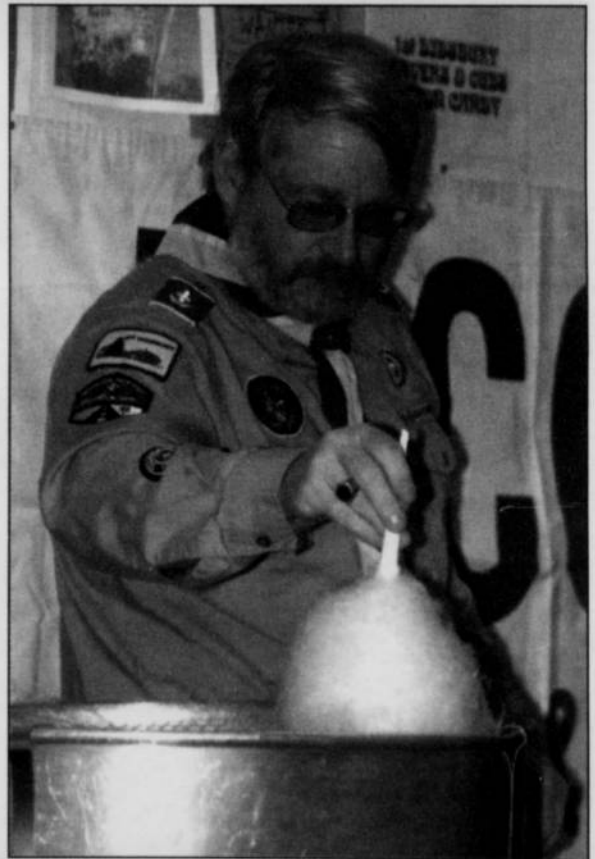
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## Didsbury Country Christmas 2005

-photos by Tamara Collins



## NEIGHBORHOOD



### COP receives generous donation

Didsbury/Carstairs Citizens on Patrol Society received a donation of \$1620.00 from the Community Policing Advisory Committee. Cremona Citizens on Patrol, which is currently being formed, also received a donation in amount of \$834.00 from the Committee.

These funds will greatly assist both COP units with their ongoing operations and are very much appreciated by Citizens on Patrol.

Photo shows people as follows:

L to R - Stan Neufeld (Councillor, Town of Didsbury), Sheldon Ball (Councillor, Town of Carstairs), Derald Anderson (Councillor, Village of Cremona), Dan Peters (Treasurer, Community Policing Advisory Committee), Naomi Pendrigh (RCMP Liaison, Didsbury) and Linda Newsome (Member, Community Policing Advisory Committee).

### Correction

In the Nov. 29 issue of the Didsbury Review, in the story "Hooked on living life to the fullest" it said that after 40 years Wallace Brower had made 2425 hangers, when he has actually made 24,425 hangers. It also said that he buys the hangers he uses at the Didsbury Dry Cleaners, and he actually buys them at the Olds Dry Cleaners. We apologize for the errors.

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by Tamara Collins

## Didsbury Elks buddy night



The Didsbury Elks are holding a promotional supper on Thursday, Dec. 8, in an effort to recruit new members, and inform the public what the Elks are all about. Everyone is welcome to join the Elks at the Elks Hall in Didsbury at 7 p.m. for a hearty stew and fellowship. After Supper they will present information about the Elks and conduct a regu-

lar meeting that all present may attend. The Elks is a Community Service type organization with provincial and national affiliation. Additionally they offer personal assistance to individuals under 18 with identified needs.

"We need new members," said Don Neal, Elks. "Our membership has been declining for the past 10 years, so

we would like to maintain our membership. Nationally, 20 years ago we had 58,000 members, and presently we have 17,000. One third (5500) of those members come from Alberta."

The Elks vision is "To be the most progressive family-focused organization in Canada- meeting both community and members needs and expectations." This year

the Elks motto is "4 the kids". The Elks is no longer gender specific, so both males and females are welcome to attend this event. Members of the Elks or Royal Purple who bring a 'buddy' to this event will also be treated to a free supper, those who do not will have to pay. For information call Don Neal at 335-4676.

## The sound of music by DHS students

On Dec. 18 take time out of your busy Christmas schedule and celebrate the holidays with the Didsbury High School Music Dept. at their annual Christmas Concert.

The concert will start at 2 p.m. in the Westglen

School gym, and it will feature the Grade 9 and Senior concert bands, the Grade 9 and Senior Jazz Ensembles, and the Vocal Jazz Ensemble. Admission is by donation, as this is one of the Music Departments biggest fundraisers of the year.

Coffee, tea and munchies will be provided at the concert, and a silent auction will take place throughout.

"We have a lot of really good quality items," said DHS Band Director Kirk Wassmer. The funds raised will go towards travelling to

various music festivals throughout the year.

"Each year the attendance grows, so I encourage people to come early for a good seat," said Wassmer. "It will be a really beautiful array of music and Christmas spirit."



## 12th annual Farm and Ranch Bonspiel



Joan Hannah

The time is here again for area farmers and ranchers to come together with local business people, at the Farm and Ranch Bonspiel, to have some good times and cheap food.

The Bonspiel will take place from Jan. 3 to 7 at the Didsbury Curling Rink.

Rinks have until Dec. 16 to sign up through Neil Youngs at 335-4496, but you are encouraged to do it as soon as possible.

"It is a time of fellowship and friendship," said Joan Hannah, Farm and Ranch Bonspiel committee president. "It is a wonderful time

to meet local sponsors and have some fun together."

Each rink will consist of three rural players and one business person, and they can be all women, all men or co-ed.

This year the committee would really like to see more women's rinks out.

Beginners are also welcome to sign up, because the Bonspiel is for everyone, there is a limit though, of 48 rinks.

Businesses can still get involved by sponsoring the event, with a cash or prize donation, by calling Joan at 335-4511. All money goes

towards some great prizes, and lots of them.

"The event is open to all curlers in the area," said Hannah. "We get sponsors from Carstairs and Olds, and we would love to have rinks from there too."

Both sponsors and rinks will receive meal tickets that will get them breakfast and lunch for \$2 each.

"They can enjoy the hospitality of the Curling Rink and the farmers," said Hannah.

The cost for a rink to enter is \$80, and you are guaranteed four games.

If they have time, the

committee would like to hold a clinic for beginners before the Bonspiel. More information about this will be released closer to the date.

Prizes will given out at the Bonspiel Banquet on Jan. 7 in the MPR at the Memorial Complex.

All winners get to pick their prize.

The famous Draw to the Button will take place throughout the week, with the final on Jan. 7 after the games are finished.

"Come out and curl, or come out and watch," said Hannah. "It is going to be a fun week."



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## NEIGHBORHOOD

## Town says Merry Christmas in a unique way

The Town of Didsbury would like to take this opportunity to say THANKS to the people of Didsbury, and wish you all a Merry Christmas.

During the month of December our Special Consta-

ble will be stopping drivers who have shown the Christmas spirit to others by obeying traffic signs, and being courteous to pedestrians. Instead of receiving a violation ticket, the driver will receive a complimentary gift

coupon from a local merchant as a thank you.

So if you are pulled over during this Christmas season for being nice enjoy a gift on us.

Merry Christmas and be safe this holiday season.



### Rosebud Run Dogsled Classic fever

The fever has hit Didsbury, and everywhere you go around town you will see information about the Rosebud Run Dogsled Classic through business promotions and now even merchandise is available at local stores. The Run is Jan. 7 and 8 in Didsbury. Don't miss out!

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## NEIGHBORHOOD

# Evaluating the Legacy of the Bible School Movement in Canada



Above: Ted Regehr, author and Historian. Right: Guest speaker Dr. Bruce Guenther.

photos by Erna Goerzen

by Erna Goerzen

As part of Alberta's Centennial, the Mennonite Historical Society of Alberta held a workshop to celebrate the influence of Bible Schools in Western Canada in the past one hundred years. About 40 people attended the workshop which took place at Bergthal Mennonite Church on November 25 & 26. Guest speaker was Dr. Bruce Guenther, Associate professor of Church History and Mennonite Studies in Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary at Trinity Western University, Langley, B.C.

In this overview of the Bible School movement, Guenther pointed out that since the inception of the first Methodist Bible School in Canada in 1885, there have been 340 Bible Schools in this country that were attended by a quarter of a million people. The largest of these were Prairie Bible Institute in Alberta and Brier Crest in Saskatchewan, but there were also smaller denominational schools, many situated in rural communities. Of those started in Western Canada before 1960, one-third were Mennonite. Most of these have since been closed. Today's Bible Schools are in urban settings with the Pentecostals starting the most schools and having few closures. Not all Bi-

ble schools ceased to exist, but were upgraded to become colleges. Bible Colleges today offer Biblical training to their students, but because of higher academic levels and because of high tuition costs, they're available to a smaller percentage of people.

The influence of Bible Schools on churches and communities has been far-reaching. The schools helped establish young people in their faith through solid Bible teaching, Sunday School teachers were trained and many leaders emerged from these schools. Although many of these early schools started in immigrant communities, they helped to form bridges to other denominations through the resource books that were used. Thus they helped these ethnic groups to become truly Canadian.

In Menno Bible Institute at Bergthal Mennonite Church, personal acceptance of Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord was encouraged and fostered. Some of the subjects taught, along with Bible and Scripture memorization, were Sunday School lesson development and S.S. administration, study of customs of Bible times, Christian Ethics, public speaking and homiletics, Missions and Evangelism, literature and language arts. The German

poem by Schiller, Da Lied von der Glocke, (The song of the Bell) an allegory on life from the cradle to the grave, was enjoyed and loved by many students. Music, especially choral singing was an integral part of Bible School.

The teachings of Bible Schools rippled out into the students' churches with an influx of trained Sunday School teachers, young people who had learned to sing in choir, leaders in youth work and young men who could preach. (In the mid-1900's women in ministry was unknown. Female graduates of MBI, however, had received the same training in homiletics and had done practice preaching within the school as their male counterparts.) Some students went on to further training and became missionaries. But for all, whether in formal church and mission work, or whether in trades and professions, as farmers, workers and homemakers, the Bible School had helped to equip them for life.

Bible schools attended by teenage and after post High School youth were a social development opportunity. In spite of strict rules, couples found each other and later married. Their marriages and parenting reflected what they had learned and experienced in Bible School.

In smaller discussion

groups, the workshop participants who attended Bible School shared their experiences. There were humorous stories of student interaction with the stiff rules of the era. Some found their experience repressive, seeing their thinking hemmed in by the narrow confines of school boundaries. Others felt the Bible school had offered wonderful opportunity for growth.

In evaluating what had been shared, Guenther made several observations:

- The Bible Schools should not be evaluated by the standards of today's culture and society, but rather whether they had been successful in their time.

- The legacy of the Bible Schools is one of solid biblical teaching and character building.

- The schools were accessible to young people. They were often local and costs were low, because of the sacrifices made by many people.

- The schools were a

gathering point for the faith community.

- The fact that there are no longer any Bible schools in many denominations is a travesty. There is a great need for Bible knowledge and teaching, and Guenther encouraged people and

churches to again make this a priority in their lives.

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Discussion will follow a powerpoint presentation.

What can the Didsbury business community do to prepare themselves for this event. How can they take advantage of the crowds in town for this

event, and the Farmer's Bonspiel, both being held on the same weekend?

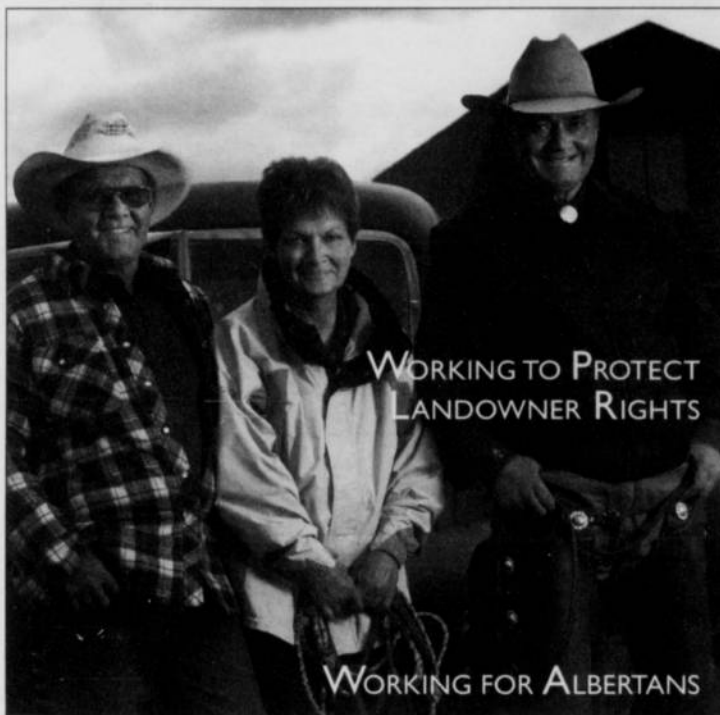
This breakfast replaces the December 20 regularly scheduled

Brown Bag Lunch. The Brown Bag Breakfast is from 7:30 - 8:30 am at the Eldon Foote Hall (Train Station). We're hoping the breakfast format will be more

convenient for the businesses, as their attendance is imperative. Muffins, coffee and juice will be provided. RSVP appreciated - call 335-9445.

**Mark your calendars for the Brown Bag Breakfast on Tuesday, December 13, 2005.**

Mark your calendars for the Brown Bag Breakfast on Tuesday, December 13, 2005. A joint initiative between the Town of Didsbury and the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce, this month's breakfast is designed to introduce residents and the business community to the Rosebud Run Sleddog Classic. You've read about it, now come and see how you can participate, and more importantly, how you can prepare



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Her future looks promising. Heavy Equipment Operators like Norma top a long list of critically needed skilled workers for the upstream oil and gas industry. There's a looming shortage of labour that'll require at least 8,600 new workers in the oil sands alone by 2012.

The numbers are part of an intensive study by the Petroleum Human Resources Council of Canada first released in 2003. The Council is now actively working to match industry needs with education providers. "We interviewed employers and asked them questions like what

they're looking for, and how well are the education providers meeting their requirements," says Cheryl Knight, Executive Director and CEO. Driving a three-story high Caterpillar truck can be daunting at first, but so can looking for a new trade. Knight says the Council understands and suggests starting with a visit to [www.petrohrsc.ca](http://www.petrohrsc.ca) for details on in-demand jobs, available training and more.

To learn more about careers in the industry visit [www.centreforenergy.com](http://www.centreforenergy.com) or [www.careersinoilandgas.com](http://www.careersinoilandgas.com).

To learn more about which trades pay the best and where the opportunities are, visit [www.alis.gov.ab.ca/wageinfo](http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/wageinfo).

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So they chose a route where more than 90 per cent of the pipeline would follow existing roads and cutlines and then committed \$1.2 million to restore 400 kilometres of historic cutlines in the area. Past timber harvesting and other industry activities fragmented the land, which has contributed largely to the caribou's official threatened status.

"The support of ConocoPhillips Canada and Suncor Energy has been relevant and consistent," says Pat Cabezas, Program Manager for the Alberta Caribou Committee. The Committee includes government, industry and academic partners who integrate industrial activities with conservation of caribou and their habitat.

"Both companies have been involved not only in our research subcommittee but their involvement in our steering committee has had a positive influence on management of the industrial impact on caribou habitat in the province." The Suncor ConocoPhillips restoration project was in consultation with other land users such as trappers and the forestry industry as well as government, recreational users and, critically important, wildlife scientists from the Biological Sciences and Renewable Resources Departments from the University of Alberta (U of A).

Caribou habitat recovery is crucial, especially in northern Alberta, where there are only 2,500 to 4,200 caribou left. The Little Smoky herd is estimated at between 60 to 100 animals and appears to be in constant decline. Recovery solutions include planting pine and spruce trees to make it more difficult for wolves to travel on cutlines and prey on caribou. The companies are also working with the U of A to establish ways to monitor wolf tracks found on cutlines.

For more information on the Alberta Caribou Committee please visit: [www.deer.r.ualberta.ca/caribou](http://www.deer.r.ualberta.ca/caribou).

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# Candidates

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Sean Maw says he chose the Green Party because he really didn't like what was happening among the current political parties. He says he really liked what the party had to offer, so decided to run in the upcoming election and get the 'Green message' out there.

Maw is pretty much a rookie to the political game as well, but looks forward to beating the campaign trail over the next several weeks.

"The only political background I had prior to this was about 20 years ago when I was a student and I helped out with the Provincial Liberals in Ontario," he said. "A couple years ago I was just getting frustrated with the major parties and thought there had to be something better so I started poking around and came upon the Green Party."

Maw is a 39-year-old Cochrane resident with an extensive educational background. Maw has a PhD in neuroscience as well as an undergraduate degree and Masters in engineering from Waterloo University.

Maw is currently employed as a professional at both Mount Royal College and the University of Calgary.

"I am glad I have thrown my hat in because I believe in what the party stands for," Maw said.

Maw says that the Green Party is the alternative for people who have mixed feelings about voting Conservative.

"People would characterize this as an extreme riding I believe... I have been talking to so many people who vote for the Conservatives who don't want to vote Conservative, but they don't see a real alternative. But, now they can vote for the Green Party and they get the economic and fiscal policy that they like, an environmental policy that they like, and social policy."

The Carstairs and District Chamber of Commerce generally hold a forum for each election; however, no date has been set.

In January, prior to the election, we will be running full profiles on each of the candidates to help you better decide who you should vote for on January 23.

by Brad Linn

# Olds Minor Hockey in recovery

Olds Minor Hockey (OMH) has had its share of negative publicity recently because of an incident last December between an upset parent and his son's head coach.

Wesley Theodore Oulton, 51, secretary of the Olds Minor Hockey Association's executive committee, was charged with causing a disturbance at his son's minor hockey league game.

On Nov. 23, Oulton avoided a trial where several witnesses, including minor hockey league players, were expected to testify, by diverting the case to the alternative measures program. In the program he had to admit the "essential elements" of the offence, said prosecutor Ian McKay.

According to OMH President, Chandra Keith, this incident should never have gone to the RCMP.

"We have a grievance process within Olds Minor Hockey and somebody felt it was important to take this out of the (system)," she said, "And that's sad."

Keith said that OMH had already disciplined both sides of the incident and it should be forgotten. A letter was given to both Oulton and his son's coach, Mark Hammer. Both men were also ordered to

attend a program aimed at parents and coaches on how to effectively deal with problem incidents at the rink.

Terry Engen, president of Hockey Alberta, said that once the RCMP took part in the investigation, Hockey Alberta stepped aside, but they will do a follow-up to see what actions will be taken.

"We do not condone (this behaviour); it is not responsible and acceptable," he said. "We try to instill (these ideals) through programming and seminars to get that picture across, but for some it takes longer to learn that."

Wes Oulton expressed his displeasure with the RCMP investigation.

"Olds Minor Hockey has done a significantly better job of dealing with this situation than the local RCMP," he said.

According to Keith, there are two sides to every story, and Oulton was defending his upset child after the hockey game.

"His child was asked to do something that was way out of the realm of what a child should be asked to do," she said, explaining Hammer made Oulton's son, and other players on the team, do push-ups on the bench while a game was in progress.

It was after Oulton saw his distressed son he apparently went into the change room after the game, which

is not allowed under minor hockey regulations, to speak with Hammer.

"He never yelled at a child," said Keith, "Never once."

Oulton also said he never directed any of his "discussion" with Hammer to any of the children, and his voice was "definitely" raised.

"I have a very loud voice, some of the children did say they were uncomfortable," he said, "I really wish I hadn't done this in front of the children."

In a statement by Oulton to OMH, he said, "The coach provoked my reaction to a situation, initiated and directed by the coach."

But this episode has a few parents shaking their heads, and it has left a few children upset.

Generally, Atom hockey players are nine and 10 years old.

Cheryl Beaudoin is the mother of the goaltender that played in the aforementioned game.

According to her son, the young boy was about to be served his punishment or means of "motivation" in the change room, because doing pushups on the ice while a game is in progress isn't an option.

"I'm concerned there is a man sitting on the executive with these charges thrown against him," Beaudoin said, "As a parent the man should be asked to step down and not be allowed to

be on there for three years, which would allow these children (some who were supposed to testify) to move up without any decisions being made against them."

Beaudoin said she is unaware of any other occurrences with Oulton and he "had never been rude" to her family prior to this.

"My son doesn't have the best self-confidence and to have an adult (yelling in the changeroom) doesn't do a bit of good," she said, explaining that as a parent you have to set a good example.

"We teach our children that this is a sport and you go do your best," she said, "and then you have an adult walk in and behave like this in front of children. He should have spoken to Hammer in private."

"My kid has been through so much," she said, "Parents are here to protect their kids, and this could happen again."

According to Engen, there are many programs to discourage aggressive behaviour with adults, and Hockey Alberta encourages minor hockey associations to utilize these programs.

Engen acknowledges that realistically there is politics in hockey, and there will always be politics in the game because of the human factor. Parents should quit creating problems

for kids. For them, the game is just that, a game - that involves them chasing a slippery black disk on ice and trying to put it in a net.

"This is for the kids and they should remember that," Engen said.

Oulton said most parents just want to protect their children.

"We all have a duty to care and look after our children," he said.

Keith said parents' yelling at one another is part of the game.

She said that as recently as two weeks ago there was an altercation with parents exchanging loud verbal jibes at one another in the stands.

"Is anything else going to happen to them? No," she said, explaining that the kids don't worry about these situations. "It's not the kids, it's the adults. Kids go on with the game all the time," she said. "The kids have forgot about this whole situation; these kids have forgotten this and moved on."

"It's a high emotional game," she said, "It happens at the rink all the time."

So are the children suffering with this "high emotion"?

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**QUESTION:** My husband, Wally, is an alcoholic, but he isn't willing to admit he has a problem. He won't even talk about it. Tell me what I should do now.

**DR. DOBSON:** First, let me tell you what you should not do and what is generally unhelpful.

(1) Do not nag, complain, scream, cry, beg, plead, embarrass or label your husband. He has a disease that he can't control. It is not within his power to overcome it alone.

(2) Do not protect him by lying to his boss, covering for his irresponsibility, bailing him out of jail and paying his bills. A person who tries to rescue the alcoholic is called an enabler, and she may actually prolong and worsen the problem.

(3) Though opinions differ, most authorities do not look on alcoholism as a character weakness or a moral problem. It may have been a moral problem during earlier days when the person chose to drink excessively. But later, it was not his desire to hurt his family, stay in a drunken stupor, waste his money, etc. The alcoholic has long since lost his capacity for voluntary action.

(4) Do not perpetuate your husband's problem for your own selfish reasons. It is not uncommon for family members to resist treatment for what may be unconscious motives. For example, a woman whose husband is usually drunk has power over her family. She is the unrivaled boss -- the one who controls the money and makes all of her family's decisions. As her alcoholic husband begins to recover, she may realize she is losing her power and move to sabotage his rehabilitation. Guard against those subtle forces that may undermine recovery in your home.

**QUESTION:** OK, I know what not to do. Now tell me how to get help for my family.

**DR. DOBSON:** It is virtually impossible to deal with this problem without outside help. In a very real sense, the entire family shares the sickness of the alcoholic. They are affected by rage, depression, disillusionment, despair, financial fear, denial, low self-esteem and myriad other emotions that accompany this illness. They are wounded in spirit and need the loving concern of those who have been there. Even if an alcoholic does recover on his or her own, a relapse is almost certain unless the family has been treated too.

That family assistance is available through an organization called Al-Anon, which provides a support program for the families of alcoholics. Pauline and Bob, a couple who appeared on one of my radio broadcasts, credit Al-Anon with saving their family and perhaps Bob's life. Pauline says:

"After refusing to attend for a year, I went to Al-Anon in desperation and finally began to get the answers I needed. I'll never forget the first night. They gave no sympathy and no advice. They just shared their experience, their strength and their hope. I latched onto it with everything I had, and within a few weeks, things began to change for me. Al-Anon directed me toward God and helped me to get my eyes off myself and on Him. Then they taught me how to deal with Bob."

Bob's comments about Al-Anon are even more dramatic. He said:

"If you really want to mess up an alcoholic's drinking fun, just get his spouse involved in Al-Anon. Pauline changed her approach in three ways, and it bugged me like crazy. (1) Whereas she previously poured my booze down the drain, she stopped doing that, or anything else to keep me from drinking. I really wondered if she loved me anymore.

"(2) On Mondays, I would ask her to call the office and tell them that I had the flu. She had always done that for me. But after going to Al-Anon, she would simply smile and say, 'No, you'll have to do that yourself.'

"(3) She seemed to be calmer, more in control. Before, I would come home from drinking with the guys and look for an excuse to leave again. All I had to do was pick a fight with Pauline and then say, 'All right, if that's the way you are going to act, I'll just take off.' Now, she gets in this Al-Anon thing and instead of trying to hold me at home, she smiles and says, 'So long. I'm going to a meeting.'"

by Irene Dickau/  
Kay Rylance

Nov. 8th we had a memorial service for all our departed Sisters.

Marie Barkley was presented with a cheque for the Didsbury Historical Society.

Get well wishes be sent to PDD Marie Keller of Crossfield who is recuperating from her surgery.

H.R. Lady Joyce Armour and Kay Rylance delivered Meals on Wheels Oct. 24 to 28, Irene Dickau and Mary Spragg did the second week.

Thank you to Jim Rylance who filled in one day.

Nov. 11 H.R.L. Joyce Armour and several ladies attended the Memorial Service at the Complex to honour the Veterans of War. Lady Joyce laid our wreath and a cheque was presented Carstairs Legion #53 for the wreath. Soup and sandwich lunch was held at the Elks Hall after the service.

Thank you to all the Ladies who worked and donated squares.

District Deputy Ellen Tevendale and P.D.D. Irene Dickau attended Calgary #7 supper hosting S.H.R. Lady Enola Mathieu's visit. They then went to Crossfield for D.D. Ellen's official visit.

Nov. 15th several ladies drove to Acme for SHRL Mathieu's visit.

Nov. 19 Pianist Shirley Thompson with the assistance of Ladies Irene Dickau, Helen Newton, Karen

Smith, Kelly Larson, Ellen Tevendale and Sharon Wadel took part in the Installation of the Elks.

They also served lunch and A.H.R.L. Sharon presented her husband Jim the new Exalted Ruler with a birthday cake from the Royal Purple.

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# Sports

## Didsbury Atoms Win Home Tournament



It was a busy weekend for hockey action at the Didsbury Arena as the Atoms (age 9 and 10) held their home tournament.

Following the first round of games: Carstairs, Trails West, Cochrane, and Canmore found themselves moved to the B side while Airdrie, Okotoks, Nanton and Didsbury progressed to the A side. Didsbury's first game against Trails West saw Trails West with the lead after the first period. In the second period, Didsbury tied the game at 16:06 and battled forward, playing a strong game to defeat Trails West 11-7. Second round action was intense for all teams with close game results. Didsbury came up against Airdrie and the two teams fought it out through the first and second period. Again the Ramblers kept working and were able to defeat the Lightning with a final score 9-5 which advanced the Ramblers to the A side final.

Okotoks and Didsbury presented an exciting final game with Didsbury holding the lead

2-1 after the first period, and tied 3-3 after two periods of play. Didsbury managed to score three goals in the third to finish the game 6-4 and to win the A-side final. Cochrane Rockies were the B Side winners.

The Atom Players would like to thank their parents and coaches for all the work they put into making the tournament a great success. An extended thank you goes out to all the sponsors who donated to our tournament, to the referees for the great job on such a cold weekend, and to those who came out to support and cheer on the team.

### DMHA Rambler Minute

In other action this week:

Tyke 1 played a tough team from Chestermere and lost but they never gave up and made Didsbury proud. Their next game will be Sunday, December 11 at 1:00 pm against the Tyke 2 team from Didsbury, so come

cheer on the future of Didsbury Minor Hockey.

This past weekend, the PeeWees participated in the Olds Tournament.

The Midgets played in a tournament in Sundre on the weekend and did very well. They beat the host team Sundre Friday night by a score of 7-1. Saturday they lost to Windermere 10-7 and tied Okotoks at 7-7. The team from Okotoks was a Tier 1 team, where Didsbury is Tier 3. The coaching staff was very proud and impressed with their team as they fought back from a 5-1 deficit to tie the game.

Action continued from last week (Nov 27):

Pee Wees, in exhibition game against Red Deer, a 6-6 tie. Against Airdrie in league play, a loss, 5-4.

Bantams: Won the C-Final of the Trochu tournament, against Red Deer, 15-1.

Midgets Tied Carstairs 3-3 after outplaying and out shooting the opposition for the majority of the game, but just couldn't find the twine.

## Grizzlys complete multi player trade with Oil Barons

by Barry Williams

Olds Grizzlys' head coach, Kevin Hasselberg, has tested the trade waters.

On Thursday, Dec. 1, Hasselberg completed a multi player deal with the Fort McMurray Oil Barons.

In the deal, the Grizzlys sent Jody Pedersen and Tyler Webb in exchange for Steve Hougen and Ryan Hore.

A three year veteran of AJHL battles, Pedersen came to the Grizzlys last year in a transaction with the Camrose Kodiaks. An AJHL all-star, Pedersen was chosen to the AJHL all rookie team three years ago and has played in two All-star games as well as the Prospects game.

Meanwhile, Webb was in his second season with the Grizzlys. An excellent two way forward, Webb made his presence felt with the Grizzlys playing in different situations including on the power play and killing penalties.

As a rookie defenceman, Hore provided the Oil Barons with size and has the ability to deliver bone crushing body checks and he doesn't shy away from rough play as he has racked up 40 minutes in penalties so far this season.

Hougen is a gifted forward and will be a perfect fit in the Grizzlys' offensive threat. A three year veteran, Hougen has had his best offensive start as he has racked up 25 points on 14 goals and 11 assists. Besides providing offence, Hougen is also a solid defensive player as he is a masterful penalty killer.

According to Hasselberg, the trade benefits both the Grizzlys and the Oil Barons and he felt comfortable in making the deal.

"These transactions are a good fit for the teams and the players involved," said Hasselberg.

"I am very excited to have both players Hougen and Hore in the Grizzlys' line up," Hasselberg added. "And the trade will allow both Pedersen and Webb a better opportunity to excel in a place where they are capable of playing in," noted Hasselberg.

In AJHL action this past week end, the Grizzlys put on a defensive clinic, as they defeated the Okotoks Oilers 5-1

in Okotoks on Friday, Dec. 2, and downed the Canmore Eagles 4-1 at the Olds Sportsplex before 500 fans on Saturday, Dec. 3.

In both games their attention to play solid defensive games reaped dividends as they failed to allow a power play goal to be scored against them in 12 opportunities.

On the other hand, their power play was smoking hot as they dented the twine for 5 goals in 11 chances with the man advantage.

And between the pipes, rookie netminder Matthew Wong stole the spot light in both games allowing just a pair of goals while handling a combined 60 shots.

Wong, filling in for the injured Cole Anderson has appeared in 15 games and has compiled a 2.33 goals against average and a .921 save percentage. Anderson has played 16 games and has a 2.60 goals against average and a save percentage of .913.

Against the Oilers, Parker Burgess dented the twine for a power play and a short handed goal to pace the Grizzlys offensively. Kirk Deeg, Braden Desmet and Kyle Dorowicz rounded out the scoring.

For the Oilers, Nathan Zurak blinked the red light behind Wong who turned aside 27 shots. Between the Oilers' pipes Brycen Ebberwein handled just 15 shots.

In Olds, Michael LeClair notched a pair of goals with Parker Durgess and Dustin Moore adding singletons.

Netting the Eagles' lone goal was Mitch Jaffray.

Wong made 33 saves while the Eagles combination of Ryan Rondeau and Nick Olynyk faced 37 shots.

With the wins, the Grizzlys closed the gap for first place honors in the Rogers Wireless south division standings to just a couple of points. Brooks Bandits continue to lead the division standings with 40 points while the Grizzlys have 38 points with two games in hand.

This week the Grizzlys trek northward to Fort Saskatchewan to play the Traders on Tuesday, Dec. 6 and entertain the Fort McMurray Oil Barons at the Sportsplex on Friday Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MEMORIALS

### Wannamaker

In loving memory of  
a dear son, brother Daryl Dean  
who passed away  
December 7, 1986  
As time unfolds another year  
Silent memories keep you near  
No longer in our lives to share  
But in our hearts  
you are always there  
Ever loved by Dad, Mom,  
Rick, Dena & family  
Darwin, Diane & family  
Greg, Myrna & family

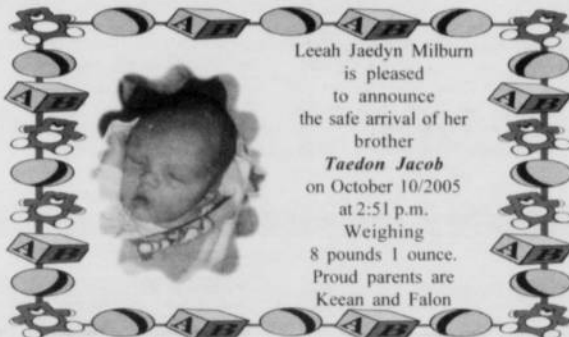
### Fulkerth

In memory of my dear son  
Bernie (Biggie) who passed  
away December 8, 1994  
"As I loved you, so I miss you,  
In my memory you are near.  
Loved, remembered,  
Longed for always,  
Bringing many a silent tear."  
Lovingly remembered  
Mother, Lillian Fulkerth

### Morrish

In loving memory of  
Dave Morrish, who passed away  
that tragic night Dec. 6, 1992  
at 19 years of age.  
There will always be this  
heartache and often  
the silent tears,  
We shall cherish those  
precious memories  
of the days when you were here.  
We hold you close  
within our hearts,  
And there you will remain.  
Please walk with us  
throughout our lives,  
Until we meet again.  
Remembering you is easy,  
we do it every day,  
But missing you is heartache  
that never goes away.  
Always remembered and sadly  
missed by Mom & Dad, Don,  
Scott, Brad, and Jacqueline.

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# The Program

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND EVENTS



## DIDSBURY

**West Zion Mennonite Church Christmas Events**  
Dec. 10, 2005 - Adult Christmas Banquet @ 6:30 p.m. Roast beef buffet, please bring salad or dessert. Christmas entertainment to follow supper. RSVP 337-2020. Dec. 18, 2005 Christmas Sunday School Pageant @ 11:00 a.m. Dec. 24, 2005 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ 7:00 p.m. Dec. 25, 2005 Christmas Morning Service @ 11:00 a.m.

### Didsbury & District Community Bus Trip

Cash Casino Calgary. Wednesday, Dec. 28. Cost \$10.00 Bus leaves at 4 p.m. Please note the new time. Call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 for more info.

### Didsbury & District Community Bus Trip

Tuesday, Dec. 13/05 "Christmas Special" includes concert - Don Messer, supper, etc. Please note the time change. Bus leaves at 12:15 p.m. Please call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 for more info.

## DIDSBURY

### Friends "n" Fun

Dec. 8th Thursday at 1 p.m. at Multi-Purpose Room (Complex). All Seniors are invited to a free afternoon. R.C.M.P. presenting a workshop on Fraud, Elderly Abuse and Home Security. Also a representative from the Town will be present for resident concerns. Refreshments.

### 5-0 Pot Luck Dinner

12:30 Wed. Dec. 14th at the 5-0 Centre. Bring your favorite salad, veggie or dessert. Turkey is supplied.

### Christmas Trees

Didsbury High School Girls' Field Hockey Team are raising funds for the California Cup 2006 and will be selling Christmas trees outside behind Mugs in the outdoor patio from now-Dec. 22nd.

### Hall Rental

The Fallen Timber Community Hall offers an ideal place for quiet safety meetings or fabulous social activities. Please contact Esther McMullen for more info at 637-2270.

## DIDSBURY

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### Annual Outdoor Live Nativity

Dec. 21, 22 & 23 at 7:45 at the redeemer Lutheran Church. Afterwards join us inside for hot chocolate and sweets.

### New Year's Eve Dance

Lone Pine Hall, Dec. 31. Live music by the Dean Ray Band. Tickets \$15.00 ea. Ph: 335-4035.

## CARSTAIRS

### Carstairs Community Curling Club

The Mayors Challenge & Turkey Shoot on Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. Admission is done by donation with all proceeds going to the Carstairs Lions Christmas Hampers Campaign. Bring the whole family out for this fun event - free hot chocolate for the kids!

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## ONGOING EVENTS

### SPECIAL FAMILIES RESOURCE ASSOCIATION

Support for families/caregivers of special needs children. Meetings now held on the 3rd Thurs. of every month in the Didsbury Hospital in the Educational Conference Room at 7 p.m. For more information contact Cindy at 335-4123.

### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Didsbury Chamber of Commerce meets the 2nd Thursday each month. For more info please call 335-3265.

### DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Rosemary 335-2835.

### ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every month at the Town Office. For info call the Town Office 335-3391.

### BEAVER'S

Beaver's Tues. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

### DIDSBURY MUSEUM

New Fall hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs., 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions & anytime by appointment. Please call Joan Court at 335-8392 or Larry Hunsperger at 335-3284.

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### TIME OUT

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### KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

### O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. Call Marg Steckler at 335-4281

### DIDSBURY SENIOR SUPPORT SERVICES

The Didsbury & District Senior Support Services co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 335-4391.

### SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

### CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

### LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

### GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4.

### DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

is now accepting registrations for 2005-2006 school year. This non-profit organization offers educational and social programming for children 3 to 5 years old. For information or to register your child, please call: Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-8039.

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### INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday mornings of each month 10 a.m. Olds Scout Hall. Phone 556-3807 for information.

### DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC

Provides free accessible mental health services. Which incl. assessments, individual family & group counselling & crisis intervention. Mon. to Fri. 8:30-4:00.

### Hall Rental

To rent Rosebud Hall, please call 335-1969.

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### MEETING

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### Sundre Toastmasters

Meetings every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Sundre. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.

### Mountain View Sheep Producers

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